fabrication activities in the 300 Areas. The other major stream was the UO₃ product produced at the UO₃ Plant in the 200 West Area.

Hanford UO₃ shipped after March 10, 1952 contained recycled uranium. The Major Tier 1 sites of Paducah, Fernald, and Oak Ridge received the vast majority of Hanford recycled uranium. Paducah received the majority for these three sites with approximately 74,500 MTU shipped out of Hanford from FY 1952 through FY 1973. After FY 1973, the majority of recycled uranium was sent to Fernald. Table 3-5 provides a brief summary of recycled uranium shipments from Hanford. Tables 3-6, 3-7, and 3-8 show these shipments to the Major Tier 1 sites in detail. Appendix B Tables 3.3.1 through 3.3.8 show the details of Hanford shipments to all off-site locations.

Table 3-5 Summary of Recycled Uranium Shipments from Hanford

	MTUs Shipped	MTUs Shipped	MTUs Shipped
Timeframe:	All Offsite Sites	Major Tier 1	Minor Tier 1
March 1952-FY65	67,740.4	64,593.0	3,147.4
FY 1966-FY 1970	28,292.4	28,289.6	2.8
FY 1971-3/31/99	13,759.6	11,263.6	2,496.0
Recycle Total	109,792.4	104,146.2	5,646.2

3.3.2 Uranium Shipments from 300 Area Fuel Fabrication Activities

Specific uranium forms being removed from the fuel fabrication shops included reject metal rods, uranium oxide, "eggs", "slugs", metallic chips and fines, and floor sweepings. As much uranium was recovered as was possible in the early years due to shortages in uranium feedstock supply. "Eggs" were a term for metal samples cut off from the ends of newly arrived billets and tested for impurities before the billets were fabricated into fuel elements. "Slugs" were an early term for uranium fuel elements in the form of short cylinders clad or encased in corrosion-resistant metals. The 1949 schematic in Figure 3-4 shows the various flows of the generated scrap from the fuel fabrication activities. The four major NYOO sites receiving Hanford scrap were Mallinckrodt Chemical Works (Simonds Saw & Steel (Lockport, New York), Vitro Manufacturing (Cannonburg, Pennsylvania), and Harshaw Chemical (Cleveland, Ohio)). Simonds performed metal rolling of the uranium billets, Mallinckrodt reprocessed sweepings, metal solids, "eggs", and rejected slugs. Vitro reprocessed Hersey Bag Filters (from UO₃ plant) and miscellaneous scrap oxides. Uranium billets and metal turnings were also shipped to National Lead of Ohio (NLO).

Beginning in 1952, Aluminum-Silicon (Al-Si) alloy scrap (from the fuel Fabrication process) was also shipped to the U.S. Bureau of Mines (Albany, Oregon) because that facility had developed a method for recovering the tin. The tin crystals contained uranium.

Table 3-6 Hanford Uranium Shipments To Paducah

BITTOOKE TEXTO			Carbide of Kentucky				
(BY MTUs)				To Paducah			
Managed			by Oak Ridge Operations				
			CKY, FYA				
FY Date Date From From RIS	Box #	Doc#	MTU	MTU NU	MTU FU	Hanford MTU Total	
1952 01-Jul-51 30-Jun-52 HGE General Electric	38213	FTS 953	0	0	0	0	
1953 01-Jul-52 30-Jun-53 HGE General Electric	38213	FTS 1085	0	0	0	0	
1954 01-Jul-53 30-Jun-54 HGE General Electric	38213	FTS 1311	2,233	0	0	2,233	
1955 01-Jul-54 30-Jun-55 HGE General Electric	38213	FTS 1481	2,586.2	0	0.5	2,586.7	
1956 01-Jul-55 30-Jun-56 HGE General Electric	38213	FTS 1644	4,105	0	0	4,105	
1957 01-Jul-56 30-Jun-57 HGE General Electric	38213	FTS 1980	5,385.9	0	0	5,385.9	
1958 01-Jul-57 30-Jun-58 HGE General Electric	38213	FTS CLVI 463-1A	6,056.4	0	0	6,056.4	
1959 01-Jul-58 30-Jun-59 HGE General Electric	38213	HAN 72720	5,202.4	0	0	5,202.4	
1960 01-Jul-59 30-Jun-60 HGE General Electric	38213	HAN 75996	5,148.1	0	0	5,148.1	
1961 01-Jul-60 30-Jun-61 HGE General Electric	38213	HAN 79125	6,093.8	0	0	6,093.8	
1962 01-Jul-61 30-Jun-62 HGE General Electric	38213	HAN 82406	4,576.4	0	915.5	5,491.9	
1963 01-Jul-62 30-Jun-63 HGE General Electric	38213	HAN 85615	5,771.9	0	0	5,771.9	
1964 01-Jul-63 30-Jun-64 HGE General Electric	38213	HAN 88957	4,087.4	0	0	4,087.4	
1965 01-Jul-64 30-Jun-65 HZA General Electric	38213	HAN 92119	0	0	0	0	
		- FY 1965 Subtotal	51,246.5	0	916	52,162.5	
1966 1-Jul-65 30-Jun-66 HZA General Electric	38213		0	_			
1966 1-Jul-65 30-Jun-66 HWA Isochem Inc.	38213		Ô	┢			
	essina 38214	Contractor subtotals HAN 95171	<u> </u>				
		ggregate subtotal		0	0	0	
	39213		0		M		
1967 1-Jul-66 31-Dec-66 HZA General Electric 1967 01-Jan-67 30-Jun-67 HZA General Electric	39213	HAN 98198	0	 			
1967 01-Jul-66 31-Dec-67 HWA Isochem Inc.	38213		0				
1967 01-Jan-67 30-Jun-67 HWA sochem Inc.	38213		14.432.9	1			
Hanford Chem Proc	essina	Contractor subtotals	14.432.9				
1967 01-Jul-66 31-Dec-66 HXA Douglas United Nuc			00	-			
	38214		0	0	0	14 422	
		7 Aggregate subtotal		<u> </u>	V	14,433	
1968 01-Jul-67 31-Dec-67 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han	46425	HAN 99439	0	 			
1968 01-Jan-68 30-Jun-68 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han		ARH 699 Contractor subtotals		 			
1968 01-Jul-67 31-Dec-67 HXA Douglas United Nuc			0	1	<u> </u>		
1968 01-Jan-68 30-Jun-68 HXA Douglas United Nuc			0				
		Aggregate subtotal	0	0	0	0	
1969 1-Jul-68 31-Dec-68 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han			0				
1969 1-Jan-69 30-Jun-69 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han			3.537.1	†	1		
		Contractor subtotals	3.537.1				
1969 1-Jul-68 31-Dec-68 HXA Douglas United Nuc	38214	DUN 5250	0				
1969 1-Jan-69 30-Jun-69 HXA Douglas United Nuc			0		<u> </u>		
Hanford I	FY 69 A	Aggregate subtotal	3,537.1	0	0	3,537	
1970 1-Jul-69 31-Dec-69 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han	46425	ARH 1099-12	0				
1970 1-Jan-70 30-Jun-70 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han	46425	ARH 1540-6	0				
Hanford Chem Prod	essina	Contractor subtotals	<u> </u>	0	0		
1970 1-Jul-69 31-Dec-69 HXA Douglas United Nuc			0	1			
1970 1-Jan-70 30-Jun-70 HXA Douglas United Nuc		DUN 7049 0 Aggregate subtotal		0	0	0	
		FY 1970 Subtotal 0 MTU Subtotal	_	0	916	17.970 70.132.5	
1971 1-Jan-70 30-Jun-71 HVA Atlantic F			624.9	0	96.7	721.6	
1972 1-Jan-70 30-Jun-72 HVA Atlantic F			1,292	0	1,786.4	3,078.4	
1973 1-Jan-70 30-Jun-72 HVA Atlantic F	Richfield	Hanford	208.1	0	350	558.1	
July 1. 1970 - P	resen	t MTU Subtotal	2.125	0	2,233.1	4.358.1	
Hanford MTU Grand Tota			71.341.5	0	3.149.1	74.490.6	
Hanford MTU In-Scope Gra						74.490.6	
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Table 3-7 Hanford Summary Shipments To Fernald In Mtu

BY FISCAL YEARS (BY MTUs)					
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From Hanford Box	Doc#				Call Charles
		DU I	NU	EU	Total
1952 01-Jul-51 30-Jun-52 HGE General Electric 38213	FTS 953	0	0	0	0
1953 01-Jul-52 30-Jun-53 HGE General Electric 38213 1954 01-Jul-53 30-Jun-54 HGE General Electric 38213	FTS 1085 FTS 1311	0.1 0	0	0	0.1 0
1955 01-Jul-54 30-Jun-55 HGE General Electric 38213	FTS 1481	0	266.2	Ö	266.2
1956 01-Jul-55 30-Jun-56 HGE General Electric 38213	FTS 1644	0	411.5	0	411.5
1957 01-Jul-56 30-Jun-57 HGE General Electric 38213	FTS 1980	0	348.4	0.5	348.9
1958 01-Jul-57 30-Jun-58 HGE General Electric 38213 F 1959 01-Jul-58 30-Jun-59 HGE General Electric 38213	HAN 72720	0 1.4	359.7 489.9	5.5 17.7	365.2 509
1960 01-Jul-59 30-Jun-60 HGE General Electric 38213	HAN 75996	0.018	362.1	20.5	382.6
1961 01-Jul-60 30-Jun-61 HGE General Electric 38213	HAN 79125	0	283.9	49.9	333.8
1962 01-Jul-61 30-Jun-62 HGE General Electric 38213	HAN 82406	0	144.4	285	429.4
1963 01-Jul-62 30-Jun-63 HGE General Electric 38213 1964 01-Jul-63 30-Jun-64 HGE General Electric 38213	HAN 85615	0	227.8 241.9	1,216	1,443.8
1965 01-Jul-64 30-Jun-65 HZA General Electric 38213	HAN 88957 HAN 92119	0	89.3	1,269.1 1,946.8	1,511 2,036.1
FY 52 thru FY		1.5	3,225.1	4,811	8,037.6
	HAN 95170	0	122.2	895.6	1,018
1966 01-Jul-65 30-Jun-66 HWA Isochem Inc. 38213	HAN 95136	0	0	1,128.1	1,128
Hanford Chem Processing Contract		0	122.2	2,023.7	2,146
1966 01-Jul-65 30-Jun-66 HXA Douglas United Nuc 3821 Hanford FY Aggreg		0	82.4 204.6	14 2,037.7	96 2,242
	HAN 96413	0			
	HAN 98198	0	2.5 1.4	56.7 117.6	59 119
1967 01-Jul-66 31-Dec-67 HWA Isochem Inc. 38213	HAN 96400	0	0	550	550
1967 01-Jan-67 30-Jun-67 HWA Isochem Inc. 38213	HAN 98196	0	0	735.2	735
Hanford Chem Processing Contracto		0	3.9	1,459.5	1,463
1967 01-Jul-66 31-Dec-66 HXA Douglas United Nuc 38214		0	32.2	10.8	43
1967 01-Jan-67 30-Jun-67 HXA Douglas United Nuc 38214		0	40.4	14.4	55
Hanford FY Aggreg		0	76.5	1,484.7	1,561
1968 01-Jul-67 31-Dec-67 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han 46425		0	0	552.2	552
1968 01-Jan-68 30-Jun-68 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han 46425 Hanford Chem Processing Contract	ARH 699	0	0	1,001.7	1,002
1968 01-Jul-67 31-Dec-67 HXA Douglas United Nuc 38214		0	58.2	1,553.9	1,554
1968 01-Jan-68 30-Jun-68 HXA Douglas United Nuc 38214		0	26.4	88.4 173.6	147 200
Hanford FY Aggreg		0	84.6	1,815.9	1.901
1969 01-Jul-68 31-Dec-68 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han 46425		0			
1969 01-Jan-69 30-Jun-69 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han 46425	ARH 1036	0	0	835 1,035	835 1,035
Hanford Chem Processing Contract		0	0	1,870	1,870
1969 01-Jul-68 31-Dec-68 HXA Douglas United Nuc 38214	DLIN 5250	0	46.4	112.2	159
1969 01-Jan-69 30-Jun-69 HXA Douglas United Nuc 38214		0	27.2	83	110
Hanford FY Aggreg		0	73.6	2,065.2	2,139
1970 1-Jul-69 31-Dec-69 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han 46425		0	0	1,149.1	1,149
1970 1-Jan-70 30-Jun-70 HVA Atlantic Richfield Han 46425		467.9	0	619.9	1,088
Hanford Chem Processing Contract		467.9	0	1,769	2,237
1970 1-Jul-69 31-Dec-69 HXA Douglas United Nuc 38214	DUN 6557	8.7	36.7	130.5	176
1970 1-Jan-70 30-Jun-70 HXA Douglas United Nuc 38214	DUN 7049	0	14.5	49.4	64
Hanford FY Aggreg		476.6	51.2	1,948.9	2,477
FY 1966 - FY 197	0 Subtotal	476.6	490.5	9.352.4	10.319.5
FY 1971-3/1999 Shipments from Atlantic Richfi		0	0.2	0.1	0.3
4/84-4/87 Shipments from Rocky	vell (HRA)	Ō	0	3,088.29	3,088.3
FY 1971-3/1999 Shipments from United Nucl	ear (HXA)	5.4	1,431.3	2,186.34	3,623
9/88-4/89 Shipments Westinghouse H	lan (HUD)	0	0	123.64	123.6
FY 1971-3/1999 Shipments from PN		14.2	20.2	24.1	58.5
FY 71 thru March 31, 1999		19.6	1,451.7	5,422.5	6,893.8
Grand MTU Total FY 52 thru Ma					
Grand MTU In-Scope Total FY 52 thru Ma				19,585.9	25,250.9
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Table 3-8 Hanford Summary Shipments To Oak Ridge (K-25 & Y-12)

BY FISCAL YEARS					Oak Ridge K-25 & Y-12				
(IN MTUs)				YT, FZE					
	ate A L.L	Eten	Hanloid T		7.6				MTU AI
	The Th			30x#		MTU DU	MTU NU	MTUEU	U Total
	30-Jun-52			38213	FTS 953	154.4		Sylve,	170.6
	30-Jun-53			38213	FTS 1085	557.2	46.4	0.02	603.6
	30-Jun-54	-		38213	FTS 1311	1,147	28.5	0	1,176.1
1955 01-Jul-54				38213	FTS 1481	498.9	0	0.5	499.4
1956 01-Jul-55				38213	FTS 1644	289.1	0	0.1	289.2
	30-Jun-57			38213	FTS 1980	98.1	0	0.7	98.8
1958 01-Jul-57 1959 01-Jul-58	30-Jun-58				FTS CLVI 463-1A	8.6	0.	0.5	9.1
1960 01-Jul-59				38213 38213	HAN 72720 HAN 75996	0.1 0	0	288.2 610.6	288.3 610.6
	30-Jun-61			38213	HAN 79125	0	0	614.9	614.9
	30-Jun-62			38213	HAN 82406	0	0	46.8	46.8
	30-Jun-63			38213	HAN 85615	0	0	1.6	1.6
	30-Jun-64			38213	HAN 88957	0	0	0.01	0.01
1965 01-Jul-64	30-Jun-65			38213	HAN 92119	0	0	0	0
					65 Subtotal	2,753.7	91.1	1,564.2	4,409
	30-Jun-66		General Electric	382	13 HAN 95170	0	0	0.	0
1966 01-Jul-65	30-Jun-66		Isochem Inc.		13 HAN 95136	0	0	0	0
	На	nford	Chem Processing C	ontra	ctor subtotals	0	0	0	0
1966 01-Jul-65	30-Jun-66	HXA	Douglas United Nuc		14 HAN 95171	0	0.1	0	0
			Hanford FY A			0	0.1	0	0.1
	31-Dec-66		General Electric		13 HAN 96413	0	0	0	0
	30-Jun-67		General Electric		13 HAN 98198	0	0	0	0
	31-Dec-67		Isochem Inc.		13 HAN 96400	0	0	0	0
1967 01-Jan-67	30-Jun-67		Isochem Inc.	382		0	0	0	0
1067 01 101 66			Chem Processing C			0	0	0	0
	31-Dec-66 30-Jun-67		Douglas United Nuc	382		0	0	0	0
1307 01-3all-07	30-Juli-07	ПЛА	Douglas United Nuc	382	14 HAN 98194 regate subtotal	0 0	0	<u>0</u>	0
1968 01-Jul-67	31-Dec-67	Н\/Δ	Atlantic Richfield Han		25 HAN 99439		0		0
1968 01-Jan-68			Atlantic Richfield Han	464		0	0	0	0
			Chem Processing C	ontra	tor subtotals	0	0	0	0
1968 01-Jul-67	31-Dec-67	HXA	Douglas United Nuc	382	14 DUN 3624	ō	0	0	0
1968 01-Jan-68	30-Jun-68	HXA	Douglas United Nuc	382		0	0	0	0
1000 01 1 100	101.0		Hanford F		regate subtotal		Q	0	0
	31-Dec-68		Atlantic Richfield Han	464		0	0	0	0
1969 01-Jan-69	30-Jun-69		Atlantic Richfield Han		25 ARH 1099-6	0	0	0	0
1969 01-Jul-68	31-Doc 69	HYA	Chem Processing Control Douglas United Nuc			0	0	0	0
1969 01-Jul-69			Douglas United Nuc	382 382		0	0	0	0
1.555 51 0411-03	100.0011-03	11/4			regate subtotal	0	0	0 0	0
1970 1-Jul-69	31-Dec-69	HVA	Atlantic Richfield Han		25 ARH 1099-12	0.	0.	0	0
1970 1-Jan-70	30-Jun-70		Atlantic Richfield Han		25 ARH 1540-6	0.	0.	0	0
	j	lanfo	rd Chem Processina				0	0	0
1970 1-Jul-69	31-Dec-69	HXA	Douglas United Nuc	382	14 DUN 6557	ŏ	Ŏ	0	Ŏ
1970 1-Jan-70	30-Jun-70	HXA	Douglas United Nuc	382		0	0	0	0
					regate subtotal		0	0	0
	EV 4074	2/400	FY 196	06 - F	/ 1970 Subtotal		0.1	<u> </u>	0.1
	rt 19/1 -		9 Shipments from Atla			0	0	0	0
	FV 107		<u>4/84-4/87 Shipments (</u> 999 Shipments from U			0	- 0	0	0
			ments Westinghouse			0	0	0	0
	5/00 -3/33	FY	nents Westinghouse 1965 -3/1999 Shipmer	te fro	m PNNI (HIA)	2.94 6.58	0	0.01	2.95
		!			, 1999 Subtotal		0	2.09 2.1	8.67 11.6
		Gr	and MTU Total FY				91.2	1.566.3	
	Grand	MTU	In-Scope Total FY 5	52 fhr	u March 1000	2 763 2	75		4,404.6
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In the late 1940s, as part of Uranium Sample Exchange Programs, Hanford shipped metal billets to Mallinckrodt Chemical Works (St. Louis) for metallic impurity comparisons [Rebol 1949].

Until the end of June 1952, all Hanford outbound shipments were of unirradiated natural uranium scrap or research materials generated at the 300 Area Fuel Fabrication or Hanford research laboratories. The primary recipients for the reprocessing of this scrap were Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, Simonds Saw & Steel Company, Vulcan Crucible Steel, Joslyn Manufacturing, and Vitro Manufacturing. The majority of the receipt sites were under the management of AEC's New York Operations Office (NYOO). As the metallurgical and chemical refinements to the Hanford fuel cycle continued, small quantities of unirradiated natural uranium were also sent to various laboratories for research. Shipments to the New York contractors was phased out in the early 1950s as the Oak Ridge-managed plants at Oak Ridge, Tennessee and Fernald, Ohio became the primary recipients of the fuel fabrication scrap. All production channel shipments of natural uranium from the late 1940s through June 1952 are therefore assumed to be out-of-scope for this report.

For the purposes of this project, it was assumed that offsite scrap shipments of recycled uranium from fuel fabrication activities began in July 1952 (FY 1953). This is based on the assumption that transuranics from UO₃, or within irradiated slugs shipped offsite, could not have been processed and re-introduced into the returning metal billets until July 1952.

In the 1980's, all the Fuel Fabrication scrap was sent to National Lead of Ohio (NLO). Scrap forms included sludges, fines, and burned oxide (began in 1984). Approximately 181 MTU of 0.95% and 26 MTU of 1.25% as scrap was forecasted to be generated per year. A scrap generation rate of 21% of input was forecasted [Heaberlin 1983].

3.3.3 Hanford Shipments of Recycled Uranium in Trioxide Product

3.3.3.1 UO₃ Finished Product

For UO₃ finished product, the first shipment of UO₃ was rail shipped to K-25 on January 25, 1952 and consisted of 8 drums of Lot 001 [Richards 1952b]. The second shipment (Lot 002, 7 drums) to K-25 was shipped on February 11, 1952 [Richards 1952]. Both of these lots were produced from natural uranium and contained no fission products. They were "cold" test runs to validate the UO₃ conversion process. This material was shipped to K-25 to make sure the physical (particle size) and metallic impurities were within Oak Ridge acceptance criteria. As the "cold" UO₃ was examined and found acceptable, Hanford began spiking the feed stream with UNH derived from irradiated fuel.

3.3.3.2 Introduction of Fission Products

The introduction of fission products into the UO₃ product is indicated in production records that show a March 10, 1952 beginning for truck shipments, in drums, of

recycled uranium trioxide product to the Oak Ridge K-25 Gaseous Diffusion Plant (GDP). (Copies of these historical transfer documents, with attendant analytical data, were previously shown in this report as Figures 3-4 and 3-5.) This March 1952 UO₃ shipment is consistent with Hanford production history indicating UO₃ test runs in January 1952 and full operation in February 1952. The primary recipient of early 1950s Hanford UO₃ was to be the Harshaw Plant [Sturges 1952], but shipments were diverted to Oak Ridge facilities as their feedstocks became depleted. In March 1959, General Electric was authorized by the AEC to begin routine shipments of low-enriched (0.94% ²³⁵U before irradiation) UO₃ to the K-25 facilities in Oak Ridge [Gifford 1959]. Hanford LEU UO₃ shipments began soon thereafter.

3.3.4 Out-of-Scope Research and Development Spent Fuel

The irradiated fuel research and development program, referred to as the Pile Enrichment program, involved the receipt of unirradiated slugs from Y-12, irradiation in Hanford reactors, and shipment to Idaho.

The J-1 slugs were irradiated at H reactor and the J-2 slugs at C reactor. The "C' slugs were irradiated at C and H reactor. Early in calendar year 1952, as the Idaho Chemical Processing Plant (ICPP) came on line, shipments of these "J" irradiated slugs began [Sturges 1953]. These transactions between Hanford and Idaho are considered out-of-scope for this study.

Prior to and continuing into 1952, Hanford also transferred small research quantities of aqueous uranyl nitrate hexahydrate, processed through REDOX and U-Plant, to Mallinckrodt Chemical Works and the Oak Ridge K-25 facility for subsequent conversion to UO₃ [Richards 1950]. Although uncommon, UNH solutions were shipped offsite by rail in tanker cars. In 1952, Hanford shipped UNH to Brush Beryllium Company in Luckey, Ohio [Freitag 1952]. This company stored the UNH until it could be transferred to Harshaw for conversion to UO₃.

3.3.5 Post Fiscal Year 1970 Shipments

After FY 1970, Hanford shipments continued to Fernald. In the early 1970s, Hanford missions also became more diversified with uranium materials being allotted by Defense Programs to support Research and Development projects such as the Fast Flux Test Facility (FFTF). Additionally, some of the Hanford recycled legacy metal and scrap was shipped outside the United States to support Mutual Defense Agreements and Hanford environmental management missions. Approximately 1,000 MTU were shipped abroad between 1993 and 1996 to support these governmental agreements [De-Minimis 2000].

3.3.6 Shipment Packaging and Scheduling

In the early 1950s, UO₃ product was shipped in steel 55-gallon drums via both truck and rail. Beginning in 1956, T-Hoppers based on a Union Carbide Nuclear Company design

(blueprint #D-KP-K7805AE-2) were used in addition to the 55-gallon drums. The T-Hoppers could be filled with a nominal load of up to 12,000 pounds (~5.4 metric tons of UO₃). Figure 3-9 shows some T-Hoppers stored in the 200 West Area at Hanford.



Figure 3-9 UO₃ T-Hoppers at Hanford Rail Spur, 200 West Area

Early shipments of depleted UO₃ going to Paducah were shipped in drums with weights not to exceed 1,600 pounds of total UO₃ [Elgert 1968]. When rail was the transport method, the drummed UO₃ was sent in lots consisting of 4 drums per pallet and 15 pallets per rail car.

During the 1960s, shipment schedules of trioxide returns to Fernald were keyed to Quarterly Production Forecasts. Shipments for delivery to Fernald usually departed Hanford before the twentieth of each month to allow time for transport [Christy 1968]. Transportation time was ~2 weeks turnaround between Hanford and Fernald. Each T-Hopper was nominally loaded with ~4.5 MTU. Ten T-Hoppers could be loaded per standard railroad flat car. Because only 2 railcars had special tie-downs, shipments were restricted to either 45 or 90 MTU units [Heaberlin 1983].

In 1969, Depleted UO₃ was shipped to Fernald by rail in 55-gallon drums loaded into boxcars due to the shortage of available T-Hoppers [Christy 1969].

In the 1980s, UO_3 process pipeline storage capacity was 45.6 tons of UO_3 . Yard storage of UO_3 in 55-gallon drums or T-Hoppers was virtually unlimited (>1,500 MTU). Loading could keep up with maximum production rates.

3.3.7 Transaction Material Control and Accountability (MC&A):

Beginning in the early 1950s, shipment and receipt requests were approved through AEC correspondence. This correspondence was as both letters and teletypes between the various field offices. Transactions were recorded on AEC 101 forms. In later years, this form evolved into the current DOE 741 form but the basic function has remained unchanged. An example of the transfer forms and product acceptance forms are shown in Figures 3-4, 3-5, and 3-6 respectively. Key portions of the form included transfer authority, material type and description, authorized shipper signature, and authorized receiver signature. Accountability values were based on the net weight of the UO₃ which were, in turn, determined by chemical analysis of composite samples with the ²³⁵U content determined by mass spectrometry analysis of the representative composite samples. As the planning for shipments evolved, any Hanford shipments which Hanford testing indicated were out-of-specification were reviewed, by formal correspondence, by the receiver site and approved prior to any physical transfers.

In the early 1980s, as the Rockwell Hanford contractor readied for the restart of the PUREX Plant and UNH shipments to the UO₃ Plant, the PUREX Material Control and Accountability Plan [Larson 1982] was prepared in which three analytical quality control programs were implemented for the laboratory measurement systems. The three systems were:

- Maintenance of control charts for each laboratory system
- Strict adherence to the Control of Analytical Measurement Systems (CAMS)
- Statistical tracking and evaluation per the Laboratory Accountability Measurement Program (LAMP) [RHO-MA-138 1978]

3.3.8 Sample Exchange Programs and Sample Shipments

In the late 1940s, the AEC understood the need for establishing a complex-wide set of uranium specifications and measurement methodology. Early specifications for depleted UO₃ were led by Oak Ridge and concurred with by Mallinckrodt, Harshaw, Hanford and NLO. As detailed in Section 4.1, early Hanford laboratory analyses were performed in accordance with HW-24403 (sections 472.2, 285.1, 660.22, 845.10, & 845.14) [McIntosh 1952]. Specifications for enriched UO₃ were based on K-25 operating experience and implemented at Hanford [Smith 1959].

Early in the 1950s, samples were exchanged for comparison and standardization. A triad of measurement programs provided standards and limits for the uranium

transactions. The three programs included 1) the AEC-wide Measurements Program; 2) Fissionable Standards Samples Committee; and 3) Sample Exchange Program.

In the 1950s, Hanford's UO₃ Plant Control Laboratory composited samples of each ten (10) drum lot for each carload of UO₃ product shipped. Samples were analyzed at Hanford and one-half of each sample was sent to the receiving site for check analysis. About 25-30 samples monthly were exchanged with K-25 and Harshaw [Hauff 1952].

For inbound billets in the 1950s, uranium metal quality control of non-radioactive constituents was maintained through an analytical checking arrangement with Mallinckrodt with up to 10 samples per month exchanged. Hanford sampling of metal occurred before it was placed into storage [Hauff 1952]. The Hanford specification [Groot 1952] for receipt of uranium metal was strictly enforced with "…no deviations from these specifications will be accepted without prior approval" [McCullough 1952].

3.4 Recycle Uranium Scrap, Waste, and Conversion

3.4.1 Introduction

In the sub-sections below are summaries of Hanford's past waste handling activities that are relevant to recycled uranium. Also included is a discussion of the uranium consumed in the production reactors. Waste and scrap streams from the 300 Area Fuel Fabrication facilities, the separations plants and the UO₃ Plant are discussed. Each of these processes has been previously described in Section 2.0

The uranium waste streams were examined for possibilities of disposition and uranium content. Overall, less than two percent of the uranium handled in all aspects of operation was discharged as waste or local environmental releases.

3.4.2 Reactor Fuel Element Fabrication

Uranium-containing wastes were generated during the fabrication of reactor fuel elements. For the majority of the fuel fabrication activities, uranium slugs received at Hanford were first cleaned and then canned in aluminum cans. For a short time period, Hanford received metal ingots that were extruded, rolled, and cut into slugs or "cored" fuel rods for canning. With the start-up of Fernald, Hanford received billets that were coextruded, sectioned to specified lengths, and finished. The various unit operations included a number of cleaning, degreasing, acid leaching, and autoclave operations using nitric acid, hydrofluoric acid, sulfuric acid, organic solvents, and water. The liquid streams from these operations were treated to recover uranium. The uranium-containing sludge recovered from the treatment activities was processed to recover uranium. After treatment, these liquid wastes were routed to ponds and trenches. During 1984, the reported amount of uranium discharged, via liquid waste, was 0.004 percent [Hillesland 1984].

Scraps in the form of chips and turnings from the lathes, rejected fuel slugs and the "butts" from the extrusion processes were salvaged and recycled. The chips and turnings were sorted, broken into smaller pieces, washed, dried, and pressed into briquettes. Initially, the filtered solids and dust were put into an oxide burner and converted to oxide. Later the chips and fines were drummed and sent to Fernald for recycle. Some of the fines and dust were cemented in drums and sent to solid waste disposal. (Additional information on scrap handling can be found in Sections 2.2.7.2, 2.2.8.5, and in Appendix F.)

Airborne effluents from uranium sawing and lathe operations were exhausted through an exhaust system equipped with a water spray scrubber to remove uranium particles, chemical vapors, gases, fumes and smoke particles. A typical annual emissions report from the 333 Building [Riches 1979] stated that the uranium concentration from the cutoff saw exhaust was 4.6 X 10 ⁻⁹ lb/ft³ in a total air volume of 2.9 X 10⁹ ft³.

Solid uranium wastes, which included materials in failed and replaced equipment and normal line-generated process waste, were sent to Hanford burial grounds in the 300 and 600 Areas.

The description which follows, is based on the DOE Environmental Assessment [DOE/EA-0030 1980] and provides summary level information of scrap and waste streams from the 300 Area Fuel Fabrication facilities.

Uranium processing and effluent streams follow four principal material flow paths as related to fuel manufacturing. These are finished fuel, in-process storage, scrap returned to National Lead of Ohio (Fernald) for recovery, and waste streams. These streams are shown in Figure 3-10.

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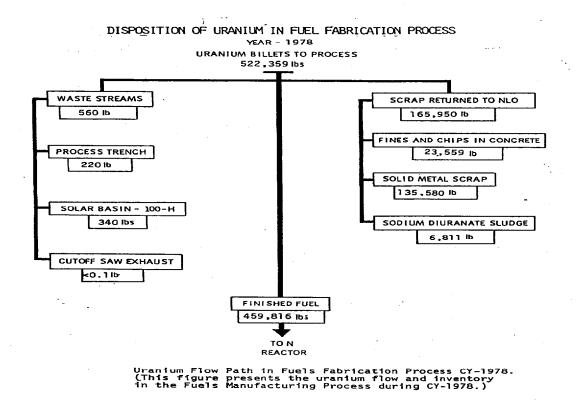


Figure 3-10 Uranium Flow and Inventory in Fuels Manufacturing Process (CY1978) [DOE/EA-0030 1980]

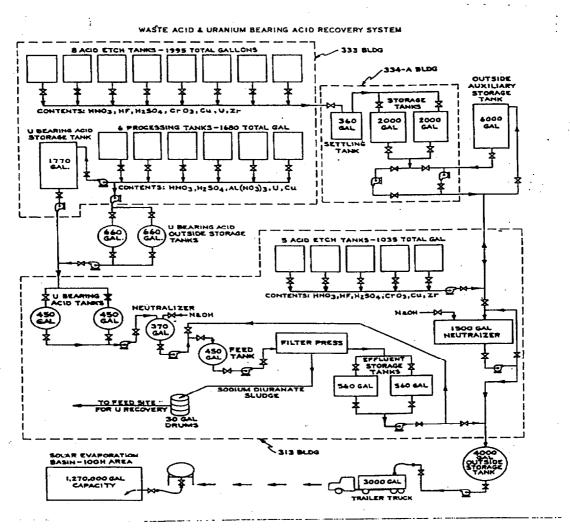
3.4.2.1 Scrap Returned to Fernald

Uranium metal scrap and sludge from uranium-bearing acids were returned to Fernald for reprocessing. Uranium scrap sources included uranium chips and saw fines, solid metal scrap, and sodium diuranate sludge.

3.4.2.2 Liquid Effluent - Chemical Waste Containing Uranium

A chemical waste system was used in the 300 Area to receive and dispose of all concentrated liquid chemical wastes, including three liquid waste streams containing uranium. As shown in Figure 3-11, the system provided for collection, neutralization, and transportation of the wastes to concrete basins in the 100-H Area where the liquids would evaporate to form a solid salt cake. Later, as part of the Hanford Site response to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) the residual material was stabilized, removed, and buried at the Hanford Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility (ERDF).

The only routine chemical wastes and uranium particulates to enter the process sewer from Buildings 313 and 333 were from process sewer rinse tanks, air scrubbers, wash stations, cut-off saws, and the concretion facility in the 304 Building.



Waste Acid and Uranium-Bearing Acid Recovery System

Figure 3-11 Waste Acid and Uranium-Bearing Acid Recovery System [DOE/EA-0030 1980]

Chemical solutions that contained appreciable amounts of uranium were collected in holding tanks, pumped to Building 313 and neutralized with sodium hydroxide. The precipitate was shipped to Fernald for recovery.

Chemicals used and transferred were controlled, and liquids discharged to the process sewer were neutralized. Neutralized waste storage tanks (surrounded by dikes) held 10,000 gallons of liquid waste.

3.4.2.3 Airborne Effluents

All plants had filtered ventilation and air monitoring devices to assure safety of personnel and that atmospheric releases were controlled. It is noted that prior to 1948, T-Plant and B-Plant did not have exhaust filters and had to restrict dissolution activities to periods when atmospheric conditions would permit maximum dilution of the radioactive and non-radioactive off-gases. Ventilation systems were provided at process locations to collect and remove airborne uranium particulates and smoke and to discharge the filtered air outside the buildings.

3.4.2.4 Solid Waste

Solid waste contaminated with uranium was packaged for transfer, by truck, to the burial sites in the 200 and 600 Areas. Some of the solid burial sites in the 600 Area contain unreported quantities of uranium waste. The Waste Information Data System maintained by the Environmental Restoration Contractor has information on each waste site on the Hanford Project. Included in the description of each site is the concentration, when known, of the chemical and radionuclide concentration.

3.4.2.5 300 Area Process Trenches

The chemical wastes and uranium within the process water that entered the process sewer from fuel fabrication were diluted in the sewer before being discharged into the two process sewer trenches.

3.4.3 Hanford Separation Plants

T-Plant, B-Plant, and the REDOX, U-Plant, and PUREX separations plants routinely discharged uranium in a number of waste streams to the environment, waste storage tanks, and to the solid waste burial ground. Plant operations were designed to minimize loss of product and for protection of workers and the environment. As earlier stated, both the T-Plant and B-Plant processed irradiated fuel to recover plutonium from the uranium and fission products, which were transferred to underground tanks. REDOX and PUREX recovered both plutonium and uranium as primary products. U-Plant reclaimed the uranium from the waste that had been discharged from the T- and B-plants.

Solid wastes, such as failed equipment and line-generated wastes, were sent to the Hanford Burial Grounds.

3.4.4 Recovery of Uranium in the U-Plant

After uranium had been removed in the TBP process at U-Plant, residual liquid was returned to the waste tanks and chemically struck to cause precipitation of the fission products. Clarified liquid was then pumped to the BC cribs located just south of the 200 East Area. Approximately thirty million gallons of waste liquors containing about 5,700 kgs of uranium were thus disposed.

Other wastes from the TBP process were disposed to the liquid and solid waste pathways described in Section 3.4.6.

3.4.5 Uranium Trioxide (UO₃) Plant

The major unit operations performed at the UO₃ Plant were concentration of uranyl nitrate hexahydrate (UNH), calcination of UNH to UO₃, packaging of the UO₃ product, and nitric acid recovery. Uranium-containing wastes were generated during routine operation. The waste streams included solid wastes which were buried, the liquid effluents discharged to the ground, and gaseous effluents released to the atmosphere.

The UO₃ process condensates were pumped to the 216-U-12 Crib, though some went to the acid absorber tower for use as reflux water. Uranium-contaminated liquid wastes including steam condensate, chemical sewer, and cooling water were discharged to the U-10 pond.

The vapors leaving the concentrators contained water and very dilute nitric acid which were condensed and discarded as waste. Calcination of the UNH produced oxides of nitrogen, oxygen and water. The gaseous products were drawn through an off-gas scrubber, a gas cooler, and an absorption tower before being discharged to the atmosphere. A portion of the recovered nitric acid was circulated back through the acid scrubber and the remainder was pumped to storage for shipment back to the PUREX Plant. The nitric acid had a low residual level of UNH. The flowsheet [Raab 1978] indicated that the UO₃ content of the scrubber off-gas was negligible. The UO₃ product was conveyed to a cyclone separator where the UO₃ powder and the transporting air were separated. The air was filtered first through two bag filters and then a final filter before discharge to the atmosphere.

Solid contaminated uranium waste, consisted typically of failed equipment and normal line-generated process waste. These solid wastes were buried in the 200 Area waste burial grounds.

Gaseous wastes from concentration, calcination powder handling, and acid recovery operation were filtered and discharged to the atmosphere. Radioactive elements in this stream included uranium.

3.4.6 Summary of Uranium Discharged to Wastes at Hanford

The major uranium-containing waste streams included solid wastes buried in the 200 and 300 Areas and liquid wastes which were disposed of in the 100, 200 and 300 areas. The majority of the liquid wastes were generated by the irradiated-fuel reprocessing plants which discharged process wastes to the underground waste storage tanks. Liquid effluents from the processing plants that contained low levels of radioactivity were also discharged to the ground via French drains, retention basins, ponds, and trenches. Gaseous effluents were a insignificant source of uranium losses.

Waste Management records indicate that on the ~ 2,174 MTU in the form of waste has been disposed at Hanford. The distribution is shown in Table 3-9.

Uranium-bearing low level liquid wastes from the 200 Area facilities, were discharged to approximately 110 cribs, ponds, tile fields, and other similar structures. This does not include the twenty-two trenches of BC Cribs that are located in or near the 200 Areas.

Solid wastes from the 200 Area operations were disposed to approximately 27 burial sites [Maxfield 1979].

Table 3-9 Uranium Waste at Hanford

Location	Waste Tanks. (In Kgs)	Liquids to Ground (In Kgs)	Solids to Burial (In Kgs)			
100 Area		1,930				
200 Area	958,000	78,000	927,700			
300 Area		82,000	126,000			
400 Area	0	0	0			
Total	958,000	161,930	1,053,700			

The reported quantity of uranium discharged to the ground in the 100 Area is based on an estimated 2 Ci of uranium discharged to cribs and trenches [TRAC-0151- VA 1991]. A later report [Diediker 1999] documents all the cribs and trenches in the 100 Area and includes estimates based on sampling. Since uranium was not a major radionuclide in the liquid effluents, only a limited number of uranium analyses are available and only for ²³⁴U and ²³⁵U which accounts for only a few kilograms of uranium. The quantity of uranium in the 200 Area Waste Tanks is based on accountability records and sampling data [Kupfer 1999]. The report also provided an estimate of 840-920 MTU based on a modeling effort. The current best basis inventory (BBI) maintained by CH2M Hill Hanford Group Corp and based on current tank samples showed the estimated uranium tank inventory as 863 MTU. This is a reduction from an earlier uranium tank waste (10/1/98) BBI estimate of 929 MTU. It has been speculated by Process Retrieval Engineering that core sampling is not getting representative samples of the residual layer of BiPO₄ metal wastes, which could cause the BBI to underestimate the uranium tank waste inventory. The reported quantity of uranium discharged to the ground in the

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200 Area is based on an estimated 77.9 Ci of uranium discharged to cribs and trenches [Diediker 1999]. An earlier estimate [TRAC-0151-VA 1991] reported 143 MTU based on an estimate of 137 Ci of uranium in the liquid waste. The quantity of uranium in solid waste is based on the reported estimate in each burial ground as of the end of 1998 [Hagel 1999]. The estimate includes a small contribution from solid uranium bearing waste from offsite. The quantity of uranium in liquid wastes to the ground for the 300 Area is based on the data reported in the 1988 hazards ranking report [Stenner 1988]. The waste in the North and South ponds has been excavated and shipped to the Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility. The quantity of uranium in solid waste in the 300 Area is based on data provided by the Environmental Resource Center and reported in the Waste Information Data System. The 300 Area generated solid U waste was actually buried in or moved to the 600 Area burial. Several of the sold waste burial sites in the 600 Area contain unreported quantities of uranium waste.

3.4.7 Uranium Losses Through Transmutation and Fission

Uranium fuel fabricated in the 300 Area Fuel Fabrication Facility was irradiated in one of nine reactors that were operated at Hanford. The reactors primarily produced plutonium for the Defense Program, but a number of other products were produced to support ongoing Defense and Nuclear Energy Programs. During reactor operations uranium was fissioned to produce fission products and uranium was transmuted to other radionuclides, including plutonium.

An estimate of the quantity of uranium consumed in the reactors has been made on the basis of the quantity of plutonium produced at Hanford, the change in the percentage of ²³⁵U in the uranium fuel to the reactors, and the percentage of ²³⁵U in the uranium fuel discharged from the reactors. Between 1945 and 1989 Hanford produced 67.4 MT Pu. [DOE DP-0137 1996] This would have required the consumption of an equivalent quantity of ²³⁸U. Normal uranium (0.711 wt % ²³⁵U) or low enriched uranium (0.94-1.25 wt % ²³⁵U) was the feed to the reactors. The uranium recovered from processing was slightly depleted in ²³⁵U. Assuming that 10% of the uranium received at Hanford for fuel fabrication was returned as fabrication scrap without cycling it through the reactors, an estimated 66 MT of ²³⁵U was fissioned in the reactors. If it is also assumed that 10% of the plutonium produced was also fissioned or transmutated, then ~140 MTU was consumed in the reactors. This calculation results in a net loss of uranium in the overall uranium site balance.

3.5 Overall Recycled Uranium Site Mass Balance

In the attempt to segregate out the Hanford Site recycled uranium component, a mass balance including both in-scope and out-of scope uranium was developed. Development of this material balance was very complex because uranium transactions internal to Hanford activities needed to be clearly separated from non-Hanford transactions. In establishing a mass balance, both the Hanford Site contractors and the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) needed to be integrated into the calculations. Two issues related to shipper/receiver correlation of historical transactions

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make a precise mass flow extremely difficult. The first issue is that while MC&A records indicate shipments to offsite locations, it was not uncommon for shipments to be diverted, during transit, to secondary locations to address feedstock shortages. Secondarily, for fiscal year transaction reconciliation between sites, quantities leaving one site near the end of a fiscal year may not be received and entered into the receiver site's MC&A records (booked values) until the next fiscal year. Further difficulties with establishing precise mass flows at Hanford are in establishing the accuracy of estimates for normal operational losses (NOL), accuracy of measured discards, accuracy of estimated discards, reconciliation of Inventory Differences (ID) from continual contractor turnovers, accuracy of past decay calculations, and accuracy of Material Unaccounted For (MUF) explanations. An example of one difficulty was when Hanford, within a semi-arid environment, shipped UO₃ powder to the southeast. During transit and upon arrival at the southeast receipt location, the UO₃ absorbed moisture, resulting in larger receipt quantities measured than were reported shipped from Hanford.

Table 3-10 and Figure 3-12 summarize these mass flows. At the right of each entry in Table 3-10 is a reference number which maps to the index below for further details to entered quantities and attendant reference documents. As the table indicates. approximately 115,955.4 metric tons of uranium (all types) were received at Hanford (Hanford and PNNL) from January 1948 through March 30, 1999. Approximately 112,287.3 metric tons were shipped within this same period. Approximately 4,006 MTU remains in the Material Control and Accountability (MC&A) inventory and approximately 2,314 MTU was lost to waste and reactor consumption. This leaves a difference of about 664.1MTU between receipts, on-site holdings, uranium consumed, and shipments. This difference is primarily attributed to uncertainties in the quantities of uranium in waste, that which was consumed in the reactors, and the limited data from the pre-1948 operating period. As indicated in Figure 3-12, the recycled uranium component of the receipt total is approximately 109,143.6 MTU (~94%). The recycled component of the shipment total was approximately 109,792 MTU (~98%). Approximately 6,180 MTU is at the Hanford site in the form of current inventory or waste. An additional approximately 140 MTU was fissioned or transmutated in the production reactors.

Index Mapping for Summary Table 3-10:

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3.	Appendix B, Table 3.2.1	10.	Appendix B, Table 3.3.3
4.	Appendix B, Table 3.2.2	11.	Appendix B, Table 3.3.4
5.	Appendix B, Table 3.2.3		Appendix B, Table 3.3.5
6.	Appendix B, Table 3.2.4		Appendix B, Table 3.3.6
	Appendix B, Table 3.2.5		Appendix B, Table 3.3.7
	Appendix B, Table 3.2.6	12.	Appendix B, Table 3.3.8
	Appendix B, Table 3.2.7	13.	Section 5, Table 5.1.1
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Table 3-10 Hanford Mass Balance-Total In-Scope & Out-of-Scope

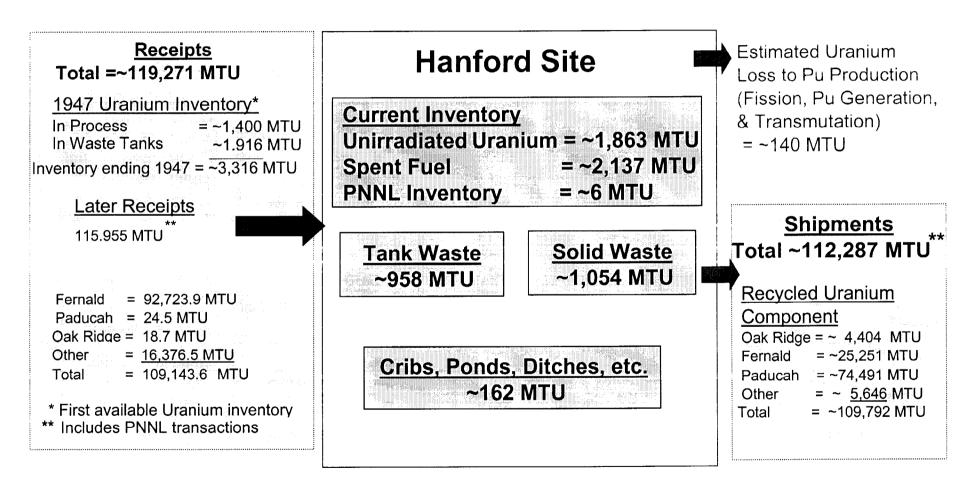
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Hanford E	nding Inv	entory		_	Quantity	Units
	31-Dec-4	47 I	n-Process (Fu	el Fab, Rctrs, Storage, etc.)	1,400.3	MTU
	31-Dec-	47	n Hanford Wa	ste Tanks	1,915.7	MTU
Receipts						
-		: 1-Jan-48	31-Dec-49	Aggregate Receipts (All U Types)	3,402.3	MTU
	From Offsite		EO FY 1965		81,013.2	MTU
	<u>Onono</u>	FY 1966	EO FY 1970	Aggregate Receipts (All U Types)	19,119.5	MTU
		FY 1971	31-Mar-99	Aggregate Receipts (All U Types)	12,142.1	MTU
				Hanford Receipt Subtotal	115,677.1	MTU
PNNL	Receipts	: FY 1965	31-Mar-99	Aggregate Receipts (All U Types)	278.3	MTU
	From Off	site		PNNL Receipt Subtotal	278.3	MTU
				Receipt Subtotal	115,955.4	MTU
			ı	Receipt & 47 Ending Inventory	119,271.4	MTU
Shipmer	nts:		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Hanford S	hipments	1-Jan-48	EO FY 1951 <i>i</i>	Aggregate Shipments (All U Types)	1,601.6	MTU
C	Offsite	FY 1952	EO FY 1965	Aggregate Shipments (All U Types)	68,282.6	MTU
_		FY 1966	EO FY 1970	Aggregate Shipments (All U Types)	28,643.5	MTU
_		FY 1971	31-Mar-99	Aggregate Shipments (All U Types)		MTU
				Hanford Shipment Subtotal	112,043.4	MTU
	hipments:					
<u>_7</u>	o Offsite	FY 1965	31-Mar-99	Aggregate Shipments (All U Types)		MTU
				PNNL Shipment Subtotal		MTU
				Shipment Total	112,287.3	MTU
3/31/99 I	nventor	y :				
Hanford _				ent Unirradiated In-Scope Inventory		MTU
Hanford			Current Irradia	ted & MOX Out-of-Scope Inventory		MTU
PNNL _				Current Inventory		MTU
_				Inventory Subtotal		MTU
		Subto	tal Transact	ion Difference	2,978.1	MTU
Waste &	Fission	Loss:				
Hanford				Uranium in Waste Tanks	958	MTU
				Uranium in Solid Waste	1,054	MTU
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Uranium in Ponds, Cribs, & Ditches	162	MTU
			Uraniur	n Lost thru Pu Production & Fission	140	MTU
				Total Difference	664.1	MTU

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Figure 3-12 Hanford Uranium Mass Flow

December 1947 through March 1999



Note: The difference (~664.1 MTU) between receipts, on-site holdings, uranium used in reactors, and shipments are primarily attributable to limited available data from the early years of Hanford, the uncertainties of the quantities of uranium in waste, and that consumed in the reactors.

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